

Urgent COT Security Alert – Virus Outbreak Update

It has been determined that only the most recent McAfee DAT update released today (January 5th, 2009) is effective in cleaning the virus involved in the most recent outbreak that began January 1st, 2009 from some systems. This file is now on the McAfee website and is available through the following link:

<http://www.mcafee.com/us/enterprise/downloads/index.html>

Follow the above link and select the “Check for updates” link under Security Updates. On the Security Updates page, select the “SuperDATs” tab and download the DAT file listed there (sdats486.exe).

Systems that were scanned with prior released DAT files, including the update released on January 4th, 2009, were unable to detect the Generic.DX infection found on some of the systems involved. Updating to the version available today enabled McAfee to identify the infection. It is strongly recommended that all machines be updated to the above mentioned DAT file and a thorough scan completed. Systems directly managed by COT will automatically have the update applied at the earliest possible opportunity and a complete system scan run as scheduled nightly.

NOTICE: COT is providing this information so that you are aware of the latest security threats, vulnerabilities, software patches, etc. You should consult with your network administrator or other technical resources to ensure that the appropriate actions for these alerts are followed. If you are a network administrator and need additional information, please call the Help Desk at 502.564.7576.

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